

**MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE
ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL, URBAN AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS**

Wednesday, November 7, 2007

10:30 a.m.

Room 327, House Office Building

Chair Byrum called the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental, Urban and Regional Affairs to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Reps. Byrum, Young, Coulouris, Farrah, Johnson, Meadows, Tobocman, Pavlov, Nitz, Meekhof, Opsommer (11/11)

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: None (0/11)

Representative Tobocman moved to adopt the minutes from the meeting held on October 24, 2007. Hearing no objection, the **motion prevailed** with unanimous consent.

The **Chair** laid **Senate Bill 111** before the committee.

SB 111	Jelinek	Mobile homes; other; penalties for park owners who fail to remit assessment tax; provide for.
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Connie Burgess, from the Office of Senator Jelinek, explained the intent of the bill and answered questions.

Bill Anderson, representing the Michigan Townships Association, testified in **support** of the bill and answered questions.

William Perrone, representing the Michigan Manufactured Housing Association, testified on the bill and answered questions.

Larry Steckelberg, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury, testified in **support** of the bill and answered questions.

Tom Hickson, representing the Michigan Association of Counties, submitted a testimony card in **support** of the bill, but did not wish to speak.

The **Chair** announced that the committee would go at ease, the time being **10:54 a.m.**

Chair Byrum called the committee to order, the time being **10:57 a.m.**

Representative Nitz moved to report **Senate Bill 111** with recommendation.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Byrum, Young, Coulouris, Farrah, Meadows, Tobocman, Pavlov, Nitz, Meekhof, Opsommer (10/11)

NAYS: None (0/11)

PASS: None (0/11)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the **motion prevailed**.

The **Chair** laid **House Bills 4906** and **5317** before the committee.

HB 4906	Meekhof	Local government; public services; collection of fees for providing emergency response services; allow.
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HB 5317	Byrum	Environmental protection; cleanups; local cost recovery; provide for.
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Representative Meekhof explained the intent of the bills.

Chuck Barbieri, representing himself, testified in **support** of the bills and answered questions.

David Bertram, representing the Michigan Townships Association, testified in **support** of the bills and answered questions.

Fire Chief Dan Henderson, representing Ottawa County, testified in **support** of House Bill 4906.

Bill Smith, representing Ottawa County, testified in **support** of both bills.

Jim Sygo, representing the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, testified on House Bill 5317.

Andy Schor, representing the Michigan Municipal League, submitted a testimony card in **support** of the bills, but did not wish to speak.

Tom Hickson, representing the Michigan Association of Counties, submitted a testimony card in **support** of the bills, but did not wish to speak.

Chuck Hadden, representing the Michigan Manufacturers Association, submitted a testimony card in **opposition** to House Bill 4906, but did not wish to speak.

Mike Johnston, representing the Michigan Manufacturers Association, submitted a testimony card in **opposition** to the bills, but did not wish to speak.

The following people submitted testimony cards in **opposition** to the bills in their current form, but did not wish to speak:

Greg Clark, representing Indiana Michigan Power;

Mark Stadt, representing DTE Energy;

Mike Peters, representing the Michigan Electric Cooperative Association; and.

Cathy Wilson, representing Consumers Energy.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the **Chair** declared the meeting adjourned, the time being **11:19 a.m.**

Representative Barb Byrum, Chair

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